

1 Minutes of the Centerville City Trails Committee meeting held Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 8:00  
2 p.m. at Island View Park, 750 East, 550 South, Centerville, Utah.

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4 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

5 Matt Johnson  
6 Eric Johnson  
7 Sherrae Phelps, Co-chair  
8 Del Ruesch, arrived at 8:15 p.m.

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10 **MEMBERS ABSENT**

11 Jamison Pexton  
12 Mikael Remington, Chair

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14 **STAFF PRESENT**

15 George McEwan, City Council Liaison  
16 Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director

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18 **VISITOR**

19 Al Phelps  
20 Bob Gray  
21 Mitzi Gray

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23 **TRAIL MAINTENANCE**

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25 Sherrae Phelps reported a plan and date needs to be scheduled for maintenance on the  
26 Sunset Trail as was discussed at the meeting on May 20, 2021. Al Phelps has staked the Sunset  
27 Trail where to do zig zags to help prevent erosion. He said someone is already been doing work  
28 on the trail, but it is not known who is doing the work. Eric Johnson said he is concerned about the  
29 dry grass on the trail, and the possibility of starting a fire, but if Committee members have fire  
30 extinguishers, then it is acceptable to work on the trail. The Committee agreed they will meet on  
31 July 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at the base of Sunset Trail. This will be posted on the city website and  
32 Facebook page for any volunteers who would like to help on this project. This activity will also be  
33 printed on the utility bill.

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35 Another trail that needs maintenance is the Parrish Creek Trail and Deuel Creek Trail. The  
36 Deuel Creek Trail is not an official trail, and the Committee discussed the possibly of connecting  
37 these trails together. This project will tentatively be scheduled for fall at a future date. Lindsey  
38 Gray (?) will make a list of trails that need maintenance, along with pictures of the trails. Plans  
39 will then be made to do trail maintenance.

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41 At 8:15 p.m., Del Ruesch arrived at the meeting.

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43 **TRAIL COMMITTEE T-SHIRTS**

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45 Sherrae Phelps discussed having T-shirts made for the Trails Committee for when they are  
46 working on trail projects, and raise awareness about the Committee.

1 The T-shirts would be a good advertising tool for the Committee, and to bring awareness  
2 to the Trails Committee. Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director, said in years past, the Trails  
3 Committee wore florescent vests that had the Trails Committee logo on it when they did the trail  
4 races. He will bring a vest to the next meeting.

#### 5 6 **TRAIL CHIEFS**

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8 Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Committee, explained a few years ago the Trails  
9 Committee advertised for Trail Chiefs, but only two individuals showed interest. These two  
10 individuals were put on the Trails Committee. Matt Johnson said he will make a job description  
11 for trail chiefs and bring it to the next meeting.

#### 12 13 **LAND OWNERSHIP CHANGES**

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15 Eric Johnson reported he sent an email to a Utah Representative on concerns with land  
16 ownership and development in Centerville. The Representative said in regards to land ownership  
17 and property zoning, the best way to stop building on private land is to work with the City Council  
18 to let them know the Committee's concerns. Mr. Johnson said the 100 acres that is the Coldhand  
19 property, was recently purchased by a man from Farmington who is planning on subdividing it.  
20 This property is currently zoned Agricultural (F1), and the City Council would have to give  
21 approval to have it rezoned to residential.

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23 The land at the beginning of the Bernard trail was recently zoned for three building lots.  
24 To get the agricultural land rezoned, it must go through the City Council. The Trails Committee  
25 will write a statement to the City Council that they want to preserve open space, and that access to  
26 trails must be guaranteed. There is a group called Public Lands Utah, that helps land owners retain  
27 open land easements. Recreational easements are offered by communities to landowners that give  
28 easements for trails, and it also gives tax breaks for homeowners.

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30 The Trails Committee discussed kiosks for trails that would have trail etiquette information  
31 posted. Utah Open Lands has an email site that gives information on open lands, and how to change  
32 it over to recreation land. This site does not give legal advice for appraisals, etc. Bruce Cox, Parks  
33 and Recreation Director, explained the State has been giving large amounts of matching grants for  
34 outdoor recreation improvements through the Outdoor Recreation Grant. One of the deterrents to  
35 private land owners is the legal risks, but the Outdoor Recreation Grant takes the liability away  
36 from the private land owner. Connie Rockwood does not want people on their property because  
37 of the risk of liability.

#### 38 39 **MINUTES REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE**

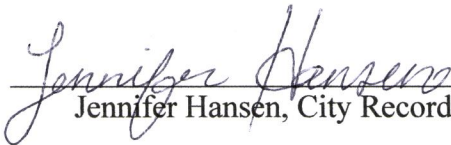
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41 Minutes of the May 20, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Del Reusch made a **motion** to  
42 approve the minutes as written. Sherrae Phelps seconded the motion, which was passed by  
43 unanimous vote (4-0).

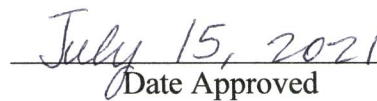
**NEXT MEETING**

The next Trails Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 8:00 p.m. at Island View Park.

**ADJOURN**

At 8:50 p.m., Sherrae Phelps made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting. Del Ruesch seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (4-0).

  
Jennifer Hansen, City Recorder

  
Date Approved

  
Connie Larson, Recording Secretary

